

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of:

NAKAMURA et al.

Art Unit: 1652

Application No.: 10/720,177

Examiner: Delia M. RAMIREZ

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Attorney Ref. No.: US-110

For: METHOD FOR PRODUCING
L-GLUTAMINE AND
L-GLUTAMINE PRODUCING
BACTERIUM

Confirmation No.: 6388

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

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Commissioner for Patents

P.O. Box 1450

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Sir:

Applicant respectfully petitions for an extension of time under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a) to extend the period for response to the Office Action dated October 16, 2008, which set a three-month shortened statutory period for reply, one month(s) to February 16, 2009.

The period for response has previously been extended to _____.

Please charge the credit card identified in EFS-Web processing or our deposit account **50-2821** the requisite fees for this petition. Also, the undersigned hereby authorizes the Commissioner to charge any deficiency, or credit any overpayment, necessary to maintain pendency of this application to the same deposit account.

Respectfully submitted,

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